

**Minutes: Thursday, January 13, 2022**  
**Monterey Community Center Committee**

Meeting commenced via Zoom @ 10:10 am

**Present:** Laurie Shaw, Chairperson, Mary Makuc, Coordinator, Wendy Jensen, Roz Halberstader, Kyle Pierce, JoAnn Bell, Wendy Germain

Next Meeting Date (extra meeting this month for planning Winterfest): **Thursday, January 27, 2022, 10:00 am via Zoom**

-Minutes were approved for the December 9, 2021 meeting.

**Programs:**

-James Boneparth instructed his first "Super Gentle Yoga" at the CC with 2 in attendance. The weather may have been an issue. The cost is \$5 which goes directly to James. James is having attendants sign a waiver that he is not a licensed yoga teacher. The class is scheduled through January but he would like to continue.

-Painting with Margaret Buchte has begun with 5 people. There may be 7 for next time. Some feedback was that they hoped there would be less talking at the next class.

-Games is now Sunday afternoon at 3pm for February.

-Wellness Clinic is not happening for the next two months. The new outreach person can send out emails to folks. Lyn Saberski is the new acting chair for the COA for the next 2 months.

-Ping Pong will continue on Saturdays only at 2:30pm

-Meditation will run for 6 weeks, Jan. Feb and March. \$50 for 6 sessions. All sessions will happen via Zoom.

-Vicki MacDonald's Greeting Cards class will wait until spring due to Covid concerns.

-Alanon has 6-8 regular attendees

-Chorus has been cancelled until Feb. Singing is done with masks.

**Upcoming Programs:**

-Aquaponics with Nadia will not be happening for the next few months.

-OLLI, Dennis was looking into this so we will discuss when Dennis is present.

-WINTERFEST: Sunday, February 20 from 1-3 (with an inclement weather date of Monday, Feb. 21).

JoAnn Bell is heading this up with lots of help from others. There was a lot of discussion about events, food and volunteers. Sledding, bonfire, snow man/sculpture building, refreshments. Ideas for refreshments were: hot chocolate, hot cider, hot dogs, chili, cookies. It was suggested that we get other groups involved and ask them to donate somehow to the event. Other groups to ask and contact: Parks & Rec, Gould Farm, United Church of Christ, Hume, Fire Dept., Police. Laurie has written up the following notes:

Bonfire ( Wendy J., Mary)

Activities ( sledding, snow angels, snow people, things to do if there is no snow) Joanne

Food ( chili, hot dogs, hot chocolate, cider, cookies) Kyle, Wendy G., Joanne, Laurie

Bringing in other individuals ( Catherine H. Shannon C. T. Roland)

Monterey Church of Christ ( paper goods?) Joanne

Contacting Parks Commission ( Mary)

Contacting Police ( Mary)

Contacting Hume ( Mary)

Music ?

Advertising?

**Other Business:**

-Mary spoke with Jim Hunt (DoO) about the ductwork at the CC and he will take care of the disinfectant that needs to be done.

-Tent will cost \$5900 for 3 months this year. There may be funds available through the ARPA fund as the CC fits well into the parameters of that. Monterey will be getting \$130,000 this year and then an additional \$120,000 for rebuilding after Covid. Laurie and Mary will write to the selectboard to see about getting a more permanent outdoor structure instead of a tent going forward. This seems like a more economical and desirable solution. It was suggested that we could ask for more \$ at Town meeting. We have made a \$465 deposit to Mahaiwe Tent so far. Laurie made a motion to apply for ARPA money for a permanent outside structure at the CC to facilitate outdoor activities. The motion was seconded by Roz. All present were in favor.

-Lighting: The indoor fixture is being repaired by Dan Andrus. Laurie stated that the outdoor lighting will hopefully happen soon. Nick Fredsall (Electrical Inspector) suggested we add a 25% contingency to the money we have approved to cover unforeseen expenses.

-Our budget is in.

-Staff evaluation: The town doesn't have a HR person and no standard evaluation form. We must decide on our own evaluation. The COL may be 5%? There was much discussion about the pay rate (VERY LOW) and the job description. Mary will send the job description to Laurie and she will make an outline for a job evaluation.

Mary is hoping to only work Monday, Wednesday and Thursday going forward.

-New members of the committee: It was suggested that we need to have someone that is younger, possibly with children, on the committee to help with ideas for programs. Mary will ask Catherine Hurst who held our wreath making workshop last November.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:55

Respectfully submitted by Wendy G. Jensen